(b) The quantum of traffic on this section does not justify taking up of doubling at present.

(c) In view of (b) above, there is no such proposal.

Borgarh-Raipur line

1224. SHRI GANESHWAR KUSUM: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to construct another railway line between Borgarh and Raipur in South Eastern Railways; and

(b) whether the above proposal is expected to be implemented during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Survey for augmentation of line capacity for Champa-Drug-Jharsuguda section has been approved. Various alternatives including survey for a new line would be studied. Further action will be considered after the survey is completed.

Ship building yard at Hazira

1225. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal regarding setting up a ship building yard at Hazira is pending with the Central Government for clearance; and

(b) whether various technical committees constituted by Government in the past have recommended for such a yard at Hazira and a working group has also found Hazira technically a better site than other places in the country and if so, what are the reasons that this proposal has not been accepted by Government so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Taking into account depressed ship building market conditions and severe budgetary constrants, it has not been, possible to provide for investment during the 7th Five Year Plan.

Railway workshop at Gondal

1226. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIABHAI RATHVA-KOLI:

Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the turn-over of Gondal workshop of the Western Railway during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that the workers in the works shop remain idle for want of regular coach repir work;

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard;

(d) whether Government propose to close down the workshop, if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(e) whether some cash incentive schemes have been introduced in Junagadh and Bhavnagar workshops, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(f) whether Gondal workshop is more economical than Bhavnagar and Junagadh workshops?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Gondal workshop of Western Railway undertakes Periodical overhaul (POH)/nominated repairs (NPOH) of coaching stock other than coaches built by Integral Coach Factory. The outturn of the workshop in terms of average monthly outturn during the last three years, was as follows:—